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Applicants wish to make of record in the above-identified application the document or documents referenced on the attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each non U.S. reference is enclosed herewith.

The cited references are mentioned at page 1 of the present specification and are believed relevant for at least that reason. An English language translation is not readily available for DE 38 18 704 C2. Applicants are attaching a Derwent English language Abstract of this patent.

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